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Subject: Please Support Keeping TEP on track with energy efficiency, Docket No. E-01933A-15-0178

January 28, 2016

Dear Acting Chairman Little and Commissioners of the AZ Corporation Commission:

My name is Barbara Warren, MD and I am a Tucson Electric Power customer.

I believe that it is very important to recognize that Energy efficiency programs help Arizonans reduce our electricity bills through installation of efficient lighting and appliances, more efficient air conditioners, and by repairing leaky ductwork. Environmental justice is needed to address these issues especially in the homes of low income communities.

We need to address key economic issues for our State as well. We have an opportunity with energy efficiency in both new jobs and in saving money on energy for households. I urge you to support adding new cost-effective opportunities to the TEP portfolio and to expand on the success of current energy efficiency programs and policies. These efficiency programs create jobs in Arizona communities and help our economy overall by keeping more of our energy dollars right here in our state. Finally, because they save energy and reduce demand for electricity, these programs help drive down energy costs for everyone.

We have clear evidence that the model Arizona Energy Efficiency Standard and these programs have already saved Arizonans hundreds of millions of dollars in lower utility bills, reduced air pollution, and water savings. I personally have utilized the recommendations of this program and have seen a reduction in my energy use, leaving more dollars to spend on necessities. I would like to see more program offerings to help me and other TEP customers to further reduce our energy use.

Please work to allow the expansion of cost-effective energy efficiency programs in the TEP service area and approve funding to continue existing programs.

Thank you for your consideration,

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